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ROAD WOES



COMPLETION OF the construction along Sewickley's Broad Street has been pushed back until mid-October. Road work has affected traffic from the boulevard to Beaver Street.

Photo by Laura Halleman

Broad Street work behind schedule

By Laura Halleman

Staff writer

Due to insufficient manpower, miscommunication and utility setbacks, the completion of the Broad Street Road project has been pushed back nearly two months.

Robert Firek, of Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering Inc., told Sewickley council last week the road project, which was scheduled for completion by the end of August, will not be finished until October.

"Worst case scenario is Oct. 12," said Firek. Broad Street in Sewickley has been closed from Route 65 to Thorn Street since the end of May for a road project that will include new pavement, alterations to the median and traffic signal upgrades. The designated detour route is

via Walnut Street, causing traffic congestion along Walnut and Beaver Street.

Although Kevin Flannery, Sewickley Borough manager, was in direct contact with the contractors, Pugliano Construction, on numerous occasions and visited the Broad Street site regularly, he was not made aware that there was a problem until the last week of July.

"The contractor kept saying 'We're OK, we're OK.' Obviously, he wasn't," said Flannery.

He added the contractor's work was good, but the time factor was an issue.

Firek said the three-man crew working on the first phase of the Broad Street project also

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ALEPPO

Lawsuit stands despite outcry from residents

By Jon Paul Creese

Staff writer

Aleppo commissioners gathered last week at the Masonic Homes of Sewickley to hold a legislative session after the scheduled session on Monday was sidetracked by angry residents.

That meeting ended when Commissioner Oliver Poppenberg Sr., former board president, and solicitor Bernard Rubb walked out.

A group of residents, including some opposed to a new lawsuit filed against Commissioner Carolyn Smith by the remaining four commissioners and Rubb, demanded citizen participation be placed first on the agenda, rather than last, as is customary for Aleppo meetings.

The board consented after Smith pushed the motion forward.

"I laud the board for allowing it," said Aleppo resident Barry Pitek, leader of a litigation-opposition group. "It showed sensitivity to citizens."

Pitek said he felt the one-hour citizen participation session was "adequate," but expressed concern commissioners refused to answer any questions.

"There were no answers given," Pitek lamented. "That is unfortunate. It reflects the direction of the former president of the board."

Pitek was speaking of Poppenberg, who was ousted as the board's president by a 3-1 vote later in the meeting, with Commissioner Linda Talmon registering the dissenting vote.

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B.G. Shields plans new life in Lamont

English and literature pedants teach avoidance of clichés since they decrease the effectiveness of one's writing.

I wanted to start this announcement with the maxim, "There are no words to express our gratitude..." But in deference to my writing instructors of the past, I will begin, instead, with an equally apt, yet less familiar quote from Lewis Carroll:

"One of the deep secrets of life is that all that is really worth doing is what we do for others."

No better a living embodiment of Carroll's words than Betty G. Y. Shields.

She has served as executive director of the Sewickley Valley Historical Society since it based its headquarters in The Old Sewickley Post Office.

"B.G." is relinquishing this position to relocate to Lemont, Pa., to be closer to her son and to spoil her grandchildren.

She will remain active at the society through the end of August. Office hours are 10

a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesday-Friday or by appointment.

It was my grandmother who inspired my interest in all that is historical. So, too, will "B.G." pass along this legacy to her own grandchildren.

Space does not allow me to embellish the storied career or to list all the accomplishments of this incredible woman.

Briefly, she volunteered as executive director for the society after having been a columnist, reporter and editor of the Sewickley Herald and retaining emeritus editorial status.

A founding member and incorporator of The Sewickley Valley Historical Society (SVHS), it is not an exaggeration to say that "B.G." is the society.

A long-time resident and founding family member of Edgeworth and Sewickley, "B.G." has been an active linchpin in community service programs such as The Bicentennial Committee, The Child Health Association, Little Sewickley Creek Water Shed

Association, The Old Sewickley Post Office Corp. and Edgeworth Preservation just to name a few.

Under her direction, SVHS maintains a growing archival collection, publishes a periodical newsletter called "Signals," organizes field trips to key historic sites and sponsors major exhibitions such as, "A Brush with History" in collaboration with Sweetwater Center for the Arts.

More important than her tangible contributions, sedulous personality, stalwart leadership and impeccable work ethic is the grace, gentility and warmth with which she welcomed me and countless others to our community.

"B.G." understands Lewis Carroll's "deep secret of life" and truly has lived a life focused on that "really worth doing."

Mr. Carroll must have known her.

Joseph J. Zemba, President,
Sewickley Valley
Historical Society

GLENFIELD

School Street in disrepair

By Laura Halleman

Staff writer

School Street in the borough of Glenfield is falling through the cracks — literally.

Large potholes litter the roadway, cones are put up in areas to indicate drop off points where the road has so badly deteriorated along the side that it is crumbling next to the guide rails and overgrown weeds have crept out far enough to scrape against vehicles passing by.

The question is, who is responsible for School Street's maintenance and why has it been neglected for so long?

According to Robert Brown, Glenfield's council vice president, the road was abandoned by PennDOT years ago when Route 79 was constructed.

At that time, Glenfield entered into an agreement with Aleppo Township. In exchange for liquid fuels money that Glenfield received from the state, Aleppo would maintain the road.

"We have had a maintenance contact with Aleppo for the past 30 years, but we have

never seen any liquid fuels money for that street from PennDOT so their (Aleppo's) claim is that they're not getting liquid fuels money, so they're not maintaining it any longer," said Brown.

With neither borough taking responsibility for the maintenance of School Street, residents along the road are fed up.

"For three years Aleppo did do the work on the road that was needed and did an excellent job," said School Street resident John Kerr.

"The weeds were cut back, they cleaned the storm drains out and removed snow when needed. But because Glenfield never paid them liquid fuels money as they were supposed to in the contract, Aleppo stopped maintenance of the road."

Kerr, who was a Glenfield councilmember for 14 years, said he is frustrated over the lack of Glenfield's council's efforts to repair School Street.

"As council members they should know that every road in the state receives liquid fuels

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Mid-October new deadline

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assured him the project was on schedule, but admitted the engineers asked for, but did not receive time estimates from the contractors.

"No contract schedule was ever provided to us until we would not furnish any more of his (contractor's) pay requests," said Firek.

Firek cited utility line conflicts and inaccurate maps of gas, water and sewer lines as reason for the setback in the road project, as well.

Some utility lines were not marked on maps and it was not clear if others were abandoned or not.

"Any time you discover a gas line and don't know if it is a live one or not, you have to stop what you are doing."

"Our guys ended up standing around waiting for the gas company to come out and work on the gas lines before they could proceed a lot of times."

Flannery agreed, stating, "Anytime you have a gas line, you have to stop for safety precautions," and added that, in the past, "proper procedure was not followed to cap lines," some of which dated back to the early 1900s.

Firek said there were seven storm sewer crossings on the closed portion of Broad Street and each one had problems the contractor had to address.

Council vice-president Carole Ford asked the borough

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solicitor to review the process with utility lines and said adopting a policy now would prevent problems in the future.

"I think your engineering firm needs to really be on the site more... I think you have to do your job and be out there," Ford told Firek.

Firek admitted that verbal communication was lacking with the contractor.

"Unless it's in writing with them they (Pugliano Construction) seem to disregard discussions. Verbal communication did not work," he said.

The contract for the Broad Street road project was awarded for 110 working calendar days, which would have meant a Sept. 5 completion date.

A \$500 per calendar day fine can be issued at the borough's discretion.

Council agreed with Flannery's recommendation to grant a 30-day extension to complete the project.

Firek said they would have two crews working on the next phase of the project, which includes the business district of Broad Street to Beaver Street.

"The contractor will be working later hours and he will be working Saturdays," said Firek.

"If they are behind by an hour, you must let me know," said Flannery.

LEETSDALE

LIP permitted to blast hillside

By Laura Halleman

Staff writer

Leetsdale Council granted contractors hired by the Leetsdale Industrial Park (LIP) permission last week to begin blasting a hillside on a portion of Beaver Road that has been closed due to a landslide.

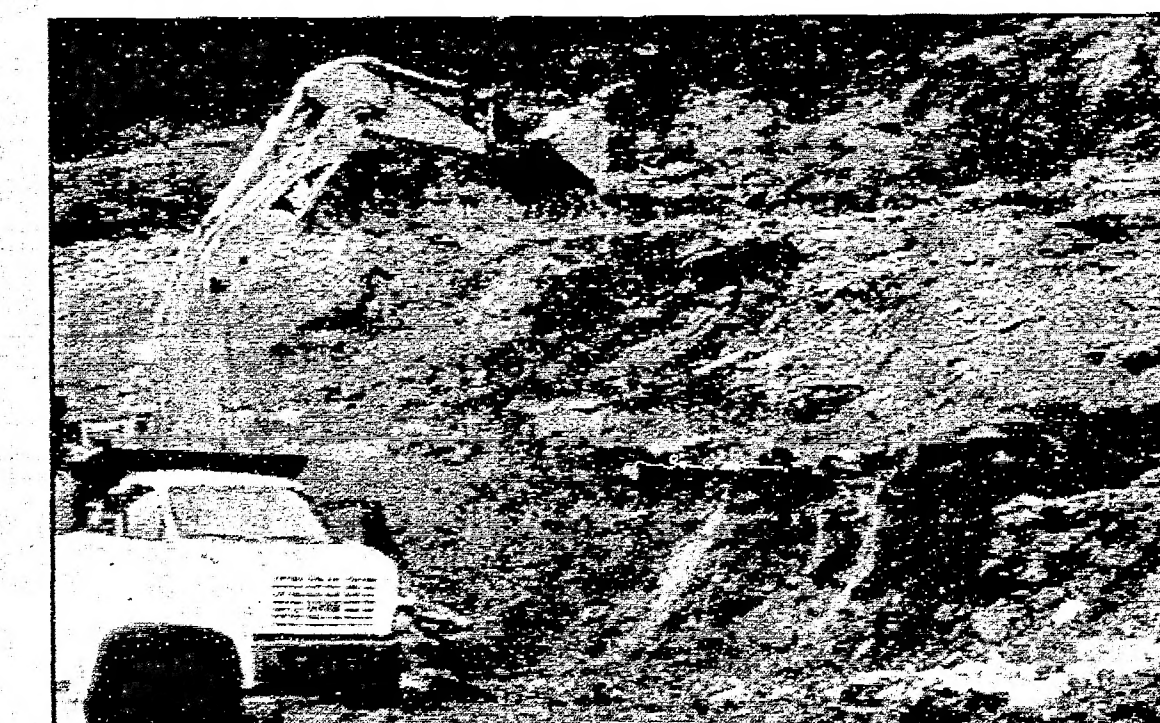
Torrential rain and flooding caused the hillside to collapse onto Beaver Road earlier this year, forcing motorists and buses that normally travel the road to and from the Ambridge area to detour onto Route 65.

Leetsdale borough engineer Dan Slagle said LIP needed to blast the hillside to loosen up the rocks. Slagle told council he required, and had received, from LIP contractors a Pennsylvania DEP permit, a certified blaster and blasting plan and insurance.

"We have also asked that they provide us with seismographs that will be put at strategic locations on the hillside so that we can see the impact," said Slagle.

Slagle added that the Leetsdale Volunteer Fire Department and residents in the area near the hillside would be given notification of the blasting prior to its start.

LIP purchased the 4.4-acre tract of land from the Quaker Valley School District in March at a cost of \$45,000. They are in the process of removing and



BLASTING THROUGH the bedrock will help speed the re-opening of Beaver Road in Leetsdale.

Photo by Laura Halleman

trucking dirt from the hillside to LIP for an expansion project that includes construction of three new buildings. The fill dirt is necessary to put the buildings above the 100-year flood plain.

When the Leetsdale hillside became too rigid, LIP decided blasting the hillside would be the best option to loosening the rock.

Contractors were scheduled to begin blasting last Friday. Beaver Road remains closed near the hillside.

Linda Sovich, Leetsdale council president, said she had hoped the road would be open before the start of the school year.

"Realistically, though, we are looking at mid-September. If it's not done by September, we're going to start some screaming," she said.

Slagle said if contractors were successful in blasting the hillside, it would speed up the project.

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Residents vocal about board concerns

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registering the dissenting vote.

The opposition group has been calling for Poppenberg's resignation, along with those of the remaining board members, since news of the controversial lawsuit emerged.

They also have called on the board to terminate Rubb.

Aleppo resident Lisa Ziegler called for the disbanding of the entire board.

"Let the state come in and run things until the next election," she said to loud applause from the audience.

Some residents labeled the filing of the lawsuit that alleges Smith demanded confidential tax information as a breach of the open meeting law, since it was filed without a public meeting, and was in contempt of a federal court's preliminary ruling in Smith's favor.

But a motion to stop the lawsuit lost momentum on a stalemate. Poppenberg and Talmon dissented and Smith abstained.

Commissioners Rick Starr, vice president, and Gloria Vish, who replaced Poppenberg Thursday as board president, voted to drop the suit.

With the township's legal

fees totaling more than \$400,000, public dissent concerning the new litigation has been aggressive, with accusations that some commissioners and Rubb may be acting out of their own interests.

Benjamin Cornelius, Aleppo resident, said he hopes the board will start to be "part of the solution instead of part of the problem," and admonished the commissioners to drop the appeal of the recent federal court ruling.

Cornelius called the preliminary injunction, aimed at protecting Smith's First Amendment rights and preserving the Sunshine Act, "totally reasonable."

"Why would any reasonable person not comply with these requirements?" he asked.

Of the new lawsuit filed against Smith, Cornelius, an attorney, addressed the board.

"You're in contempt right now. Anyone who told [the solicitor] to go ahead and file [the lawsuit] is in contempt."

Also on Thursday, Talmon and Vish rescinded their public resignations offered at the previous meeting.

"I am not resigning," Talmon said, "because I believe in what I'm doing."

Vish offered an equally candid response.

"It's not effective," she said of her public resignation. "Like any other woman, I changed my mind."

SEWICKLEY

Free parking extended

By Laura Hallemann

Staff writer

Due to the setback in the Broad Street Road project, Sewickley Council was forced to address concerns of local merchants, free parking revisions and where the 15th annual Sewickley Harvest Festival will be held.

A few business owners from the Sewickley business district attended last week's meeting to voice their displeasure over the construction being behind schedule and how it would effect the harvest festival.

Phase II of the road project will require Broad Street to be closed from Thorn to Beaver Street, the retail portion of the road, until mid-October.

Store owners along Broad Street told council their businesses were suffering due to the construction and, although they appreciated the borough keeping them apprised of the situation and allowing for free parking on weekdays, they felt more needed to be done.

Paula Morgan, owner of TravelWares on Broad Street, asked council to consider extending the free parking to include all day on Saturday.

Kevin Flannery, borough manager, recommended to council that council waive parking fees for all day Saturday.

However, when the business owners left the meeting, council decided against this, instead

extending free parking in the business district to include free metered parking on Saturday from 1:30 on.

The date of free metered parking also will be extended Oct. 12.

Although Flannery told council that the "hit would be minimal" if free parking was given all day Saturday, others on council disagreed.

"They are crying the blues. In my opinion some of the businesses are crying because business is poor, but it's summer and always slow in the summer," said council member William Cornman. "I'm not buying their justification that their business is significantly down."

Council member Robert Glenn said most shops in the borough are destination shops.

"People will find a way to get there. If they want balloons from Party Ants, they're going to find a way to get there," said Glenn.

Flannery said that signs put up along Route 65 and along side streets to direct motorists to the business district were paid for by the borough.

The Harvest Festival, sponsored by Quaker Valley Rotary and the Kiwanis, will be moved to another area in the village. Flannery said the Green Street parking lot is a possibility, but no location had been selected.

The festival will be held on Saturday, Sept. 10.

CAREER

Artist returns home to teach

Deborah McLaren of Mystic, Conn., is returning to her hometown.

While maintaining an art studio in Ambridge, she is conducting beginning drawing classes at Sweetwater Center for the Arts in Sewickley.

McLaren is an established illustrator whose recent projects include a children's book with Mystic author Karin Whiting Burgess, ink drawings for Mystic River Historic Society's House Tour in October 2004, and a book jacket design for Terry Ray's 2004 novel, "The Avatar."

She returned to Mystic for the first book signing of the children's book, "It's Always a Good Day for Crabbing."

The recent recipient of a fellowship residency in Ciudad Colon, Costa Rica, at the Julia and David White Artist Colony, McLaren has exhibited widely throughout Connecticut.

She was among five multidisciplinary artists chosen for the month-long residency.

McClaren is a member of the Pittsburgh Society of Illustrators.

Lucia Luce Quinn

Lucia Luce Quinn has been appointed executive vice president of human resources at Boston Scientific Corp.

She will be responsible for company-wide human resources efforts, supporting all Boston Scientific businesses, regions and functions, as well as corporate recruiting, compensation, benefits, policies and training.

She will report to Jim Tobin, president and CEO, and she will serve on the company's Executive Committee.

Prior to joining Boston Scientific's senior management team in January, she served as senior vice president of Quest Diagnostics.

She also worked for Honeywell.

She is currently chairman of the board of trustees at Simmons College in Boston, an overseer at Boston's Museum of Science and a member of the Committee of 200, a professional organization of women entrepreneurs and corporate leaders.



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VILLAGE VOICES

At Animal Friends' event: Can these hounds find a home?



ROSIE
Mixed Beagle 3 1/2 years
"I'd love to live with some great adults."



BANDIT
Mixed Lab 6 years
"I'm pretty laid back. I prefer older kids and adults, and I even get along with other dogs."



WIGGLES
Jack Russell Terrier 2 years
"I'm a high-energy guy. Let me be your only pet; I love to cuddle."



RIZZO
Mixed Lab 6 years
"I'm very friendly and even-tempered. I like to walk and eat. I used to live with Bandit."

EDITORIAL

Renovation needed for local body politic

By Dona S. Dreeland

Editor

Cleaning up private "messes" is difficult. Tending to public ones is even more so.

Again, commissioners in Aleppo are having a hard time staying on track — the one that leads to good government for all of the township's residents.

In recent weeks, one meeting ended in a shouting match. Resignations were tendered and rescinded. Then the president was stripped of his leadership role.

The board is in disarray — and thankfully, residents have been awakened to that fact. All it took was a mention of additional lawsuits and the rising costs of litigation to engage the public.

Nobody messes with taxpayers' money! Not these days.

So what is the board, its solicitor and residents to do? Certainly not continue their feuds — in public or in private.

Rather, we suggest, it's time for some head-clearing, beginning with this thought: "If you think you've won, you haven't."

In other words (from the lyrical wisdom of the late 1960s when all government was distrusted) — "Nobody's right if everybody's wrong."

Somewhere in the battle of principles and egos, the work of governing has been lost. And most likely, the will to serve. Meetings spent in venting personal frustrations or stonewalling issues aren't productive. Downtime spent in inventing strategies isn't productive



either. Time devoted to both is lost — to the constituency that should be served.

Some 11 weeks and six days from today after the general election, the membership of the board will change. Three seats, those of Carolyn Smith, Gloria Vish and Richard Starr, are in contention.

Edward Beaman, Frank Bialek, candidates from the primary, and others, via write-in, will vie for the chance to give local government a go.

These new members — or perhaps, old ones able in good conscience to start

afresh — can set a higher tone for the township. They can make new choices in how they run the municipality — choices of focus and personnel.

Residents of Aleppo deserve thoughtful, professional leadership that elicits respect rather than ridicule, as does any community.

And the board, as it is or as it will become, needs a clean slate, free from contention and bitterness — from within and without.

SPEAKING OUT

Resident offers suggestions to board

Open letter #2 to Aleppo Commissioners

When fans of the 1919 White Sox heard that potential baseball Hall of Famer "Shoeless" Joe Jackson might have been involved in fixing the World Series, their incredulous plaint was "Say it ain't so, Joe."

And so to do the citizens of Aleppo shout "Say it ain't so."

Say it ain't so that you have appealed a judge's ruling, not on the merits of the case, but on the court's standing.

This is legal maneuvering, not problem solving. It strikes me that since you don't like the message, you have decided to symbolically "kill the messenger."

Presumably, your hired advisor recommended or at least agreed with this course of action.

Just say no.

Say it ain't so that your

response to a request for information that on the surface seems inappropriate is yet another day in court.

Why not just have an independent auditor address whatever the issue is and be done with it? Better still, talk through the concerns amongst yourselves and find some common ground. It's there.

Say it ain't so that you have consumed 30-40 percent of the yearly budget of a small western Pennsylvania town with existing financial difficulties to pursue, at best, a trivial political dustup and, at worst, questionable management or personnel decisions.

Say it ain't so that elected members of counsel, along with an employee of a hired service and a hired employee, walked out of a council meeting (appropriately enough through a back door) because "we can't hold a meeting with people

shouting" and the meeting was "a zoo."

Perhaps if the township had a police force they could have quieted the crowd.

Folks, democracy is messy. Deal with it.

I don't proclaim to be a legal expert, have not attended any meetings and I certainly don't know all of the minutia surrounding these issues.

However, I know this.

Spending taxpayer's money in pursuit of these issues in this manner does nothing to further the interest of the citizens of Aleppo.

It has contributed to putting the citizens in the precarious position of no police protection. It gives a black eye to public service.

And it appears that this type of behavior is going to continue.

Say it ain't so!

Greg Smith
Aleppo

'Pumped up' on fuel prices

Dear Editor:

Shouldn't the Democratic Party and their faithful be pumped up with the high gas prices?

Wasn't this the "I have a dream" of Al Gore and the Democratic Platform in the last presidential election, to have high gas prices to help stem the tide of global warming?

For decades the Democrats have put a stop sign in front of the Republican pleas for more gas refineries.

Months ago Saudi Arabian officials said they would provide more oil, but the United States does not have a sufficient number of refineries to process the supply.

The Democrats and their party put a roadblock in front of the Republican presidents and congress in our attempts to go north to Alaska and drill for oil. To be self-sufficient was not a road the Democrats cared to travel.

But let's not forget, my good friends, the Republicans.

For years we saw this problem developing and yet they still ignored the obvious and sit high and mighty in their SUVs. Our country is populated with millions of ego-driven SUV fanatics who choose to drive big cars three times the size necessary for safe and efficient daily travel.

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We all were driven to it by the Democrats, but we Republicans jumped on the bandwagon knowing full well the price we would have to pay.

Now it's time to pay the piper.

Dan Reeping
Sewickley



Vandals, parents liable for damage

Dear Editor,

I am writing regarding vandalism and damage to private properties, homes, buildings, cemeteries, some churches, automobiles including spray painting of buildings and other structures.

The cities and states should enact laws to make the culprits and their parents liable for these acts.

The individuals doing the damage should be required to perform community service for a year, cleaning areas where the acts were done, cutting grass and cleaning up at cemeteries and churches.

They should be required to help clean areas where the elderly and handicapped reside.

The parents are to be bonded in case the guilty party does not complete his/her duties.

All the individuals doing community service would be required to wear cover-all uniforms so the public will be aware of the punishment.

Hopefully, these steps will make the parents aware of their children's behavior when they are away from home.

This also will serve notice on the copy cats who, at times, follow these acts and keep them from repeating them.

The bonds the parents must pay would be determined by the state or city relative to the amount of the damage done.

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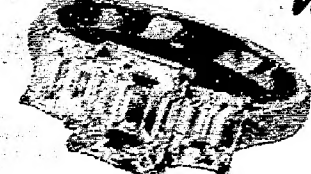
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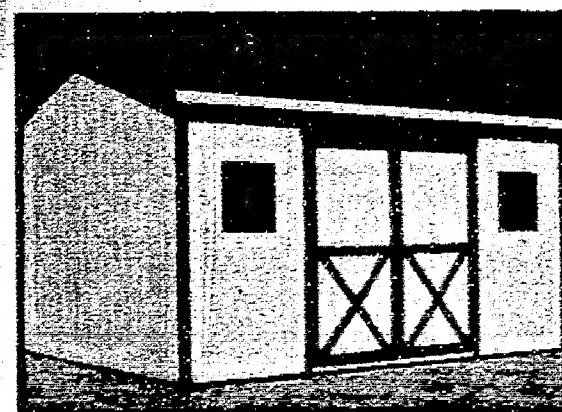
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SPEAKING OUT

Judge deserves no disrespect

Dear Editor,

The Herald article about the Aug. 8 Aleppo meeting contained one section that was problematic for me as a township resident and property owner.

All in all, the meeting was a positive step. The turnout was strong and diverse. The commissioners who remained — after the president abruptly left — were willing to listen, and the general tenor of the group was that the continued spending is the real issue and, and commissioners and residents agreed that it could be solved.

However, as a resident of Aleppo, I am embarrassed by the disparaging remarks toward the Hon. Arthur J. Schwab by Oliver Poppenberg Sr.

It is not only disrespectful

but groundless to claim that a federal district judge made a decision based on emotion (and, in fact, Mr. Poppenberg used the term "bought").

Prior to being appointed in 2003, Judge Schwab was in private practice for 30 years and by now has likely ceased to get emotional over matters of law — if he ever did.

No one among the many concerned citizens who have read Judge Schwab's Findings of Fact in the Smith case have expressed in my presence any displeasure or disrespect for the judge's work.

The opinions of Mr. Poppenberg do not represent my own nor those of the many neighbors I have talked with.

Sharon B. Yeager

Aleppo

Writer questions council spending

Dear Editor

Did I miss something?

Where is all the funding coming from for these local so-called projects.

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A man wrote a few weeks ago that we are going broke.

Keep up the good work, whoever you are.

Robert Edger
Sewickley



Comment on Village Voices

Dear Editor,

What a remarkable answer by Bobby Buckley to the query in July 27's Herald!

It just shows what an unusually fine man Michael Mullin is with his "purity of heart, work ethic and everyday care for his family," as a partial quote.

Bobby is a fine young man himself, and working for Michael has given him a pride in hard work in a caring atmosphere.

Alice Thompson
Sewickley Heights

MILITARY

Snyder graduates basic training

Army National Guard Staff Sgt. Richard A. Snyder Jr. has graduated from the Army Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course (BNCOC).

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Snyder, a team chief, is the son of Richard A. Snyder of Morningland Drive, Windber, Pa., and Mrs. Richard Gala of Big Sewickley Creek Road.

His wife, Danetta, is the daughter of Donald and Rosemary Pearce of Ambridge.

He is a 1989 graduate of Windber Area High School.

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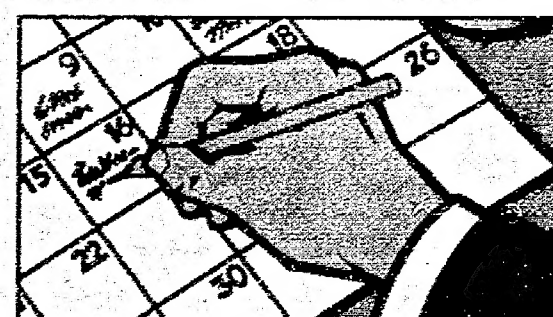
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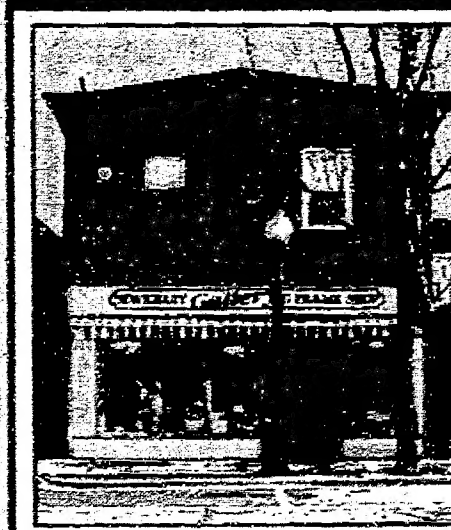
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GLENFIELD

Next meeting may bring relief

money unless it is a private road."

Edie Kerr agrees with her husband.

"When I attend Glenfield's council meetings and stand up to talk about the fact that something has to be done about School Street they say, 'Why do you keep coming down here and bothering us with this?'"

"And I tell them that I pay my taxes and the street is in Glenfield borough, not Aleppo," she said.

On numerous occasions the Kerrs have witnessed mishaps and close calls due to the condition of the street. Vehicles can be heard scraping the bottom of the road due to the numerous potholes and crumbling pavement.

Tractor trailers frequently become lost on their way to the 79 Industrial Park and make their way up School Street only to get stuck on the narrow road, while delivery trucks on their way to the newly built Masonic Village have difficulty maneuvering.

Other vehicles on the road often speed around the dangerous curves.

"One day I had a car clip me and break off my side mirror in my van and on one occasion a school bus filled with children was coming up School Street and, as a car was coming in the opposite direction, the bus was forced into the guard rail to avoid hitting the car."

"You could hear the screeching sound of the bus scraping the rail from our house," she said.

The Kerrs said a garbage truck also got stuck on the street one day and when they called Glenfield Borough to see about trash pickup for residents, they were told to take their trash to the intersection of School Street and Deer Run Road for pick-up, a good dis-



RESIDENTS ALONG School Street want someone to take responsibility for road repairs.

tance for many residents to do. "They finally got a little truck to come pick up our trash but it took some time before they came back," said John Kerr.

Although there are signs posted on Deer Run Road that indicate local traffic only is allowed on School Street and trucks are prohibited, it is not being enforced.

Kerr, who himself looked into the liquid fuel money that Glenfield borough was to receive from PennDOT over the years for School Street learned the state has been in arrears concerning the street since 1966.

"PennDOT said they cannot give the borough the money retroactively but could offer labor and machinery in its place to fix the road," he said.

Brown concurred. "My question is why did nobody on council ever look into the reason why they weren't receiving the funds?" said Kerr.

In the meantime, Kerr and other residents simply want School Street repaired or

closed to local traffic only.

At the last council meeting in Glenfield, Kerr was told by council that if he could get four signatures from residents in agreement to closing School Street to residents only, then council would agree to do so.

They have five and have turned them in.

Brown, however, said the street is not as bad as people say it is.

"It's pretty decent. I go up the road every once in a while and very rarely pass a car. The road is worse than it's ever been before, but it's not a very traveled road," he said.

Brown is responsible for setting up a meeting among Glenfield, Aleppo and PennDOT officials to resolve the issue, but could not say when the meeting would take place.

But Kerr is skeptical.

"The way they work in Glenfield that meeting could be a month to two years away. It's only a matter of time before somebody gets seriously injured or killed traveling this road."

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IN THE NEWS



Leslie Braksick

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They are Leslie W. Braksick of Sewickley, Deborah Ann McKinley of Philadelphia, and Victor M. Wilson of Devon, Pa.

Braksick is cofounder, chairman and CEO of CLG, a global consulting firm of more than 140 consultants that partners with executives and leaders of Fortune 100 companies to implement large-scale changes that drive sustained performance improvement.

CLG is based in Pittsburgh. Braksick is a member of The Presbyterian Church of Sewickley.

She is also an adjunct faculty member in the Department of Psychology at West Virginia University. She teaches courses on leadership and serves as a guest lecturer.

She is a board member of Chatham College in Pittsburgh and of The Pittsburgh Opera, is a founding member of the United Way of Allegheny County Women's Alexis de Tocqueville Society, and is a member of the Association for Behavior Analysis and the Organizational

Behavior Management Network.

Thomas K. Tewell, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York City, was elected as chair of the Seminary's Board of Trustees.

He has a M.Div. degree from Princeton Seminary and is a frequent speaker at conferences and in local congregations throughout the United States.

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FELLOWSHIP

Guest speaks at ministry fund-raiser

The Rev. John Guest, senior pastor at Christ Church at Grove Farm, will be the dinner speaker for the North Hills Youth Ministry fund-raising event on Monday, Aug. 29.

His topic will be "How to Maintain A Healthy Family Life in Today's World."

All proceeds of the 14th annual Golf Classic and the reception will benefit the programs and services of the ministry.

The cost is \$50 per person. A silent auction also will be held.

For more details, visit www.nhymcc.org. Reservations can be made at this site.

Christ Scientist

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Sewickley, holds its Sunday service and Sunday school at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday evening testimony meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. The Reading Room is open Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Lesson-Sermon for Sunday is titled "Mind" and will open with a quotation from Amos: "... Lo, he that formeth the mountains and createth the wind, and declareth unto man what is his thought, and treadeth upon the high places of the earth, The Lord, The God of Hosts, is his

name."

The church is located at 222 Beaver St., Sewickley.

Worship at Antioch

Antioch Baptist Church, 332 Elizabeth St., Sewickley, holds Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., followed by morning worship at 10:45.

Bible Study and Prayer Service is held Wednesdays at 7 p.m. For more information or to register, call 412-741-7688.

The membership will celebrate its 115th anniversary Sunday with a special service at 4 p.m. The guest speaker will be the Rev. David Williams of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, Coraopolis.

The theme will be "A Time to Work," taken from Nehemiah 4:6.

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IN REMEMBRANCE

Robert Bridgen, owner/operator of Edgeworth service station

Robert George Bridgen, recently of St. Albans, W. Va., formerly of Roanoke, Va., and Sewickley, died Aug. 5, 2005.

He was born Aug. 28, 1927, in Sewickley to the late Solomon and Isabelle (Powner) Bridgen.

Mr. Bridgen was preceded in death by his loving wife of 34 years, Betty Cenis Bridgen; parents Solomon and Isabelle; and brother James.

He is survived by his wife Ella of St. Albans, W. Va.; daughters: Susan Bridgen (Joseph Roversi) of Akron, Ohio; Becky McCorkle (Ray) of Oakley, Calif.; brothers: Kenneth (Pat) of Sewickley and Thomas (Ruth) of Mercer; granddaughter, Rachael McCorkle, of Oakley, Calif.; several cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was a graduate of Connelley Trade School in Pittsburgh and a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sewickley.

Until 1966, Mr. Bridgen was owner and operator of the

Texaco Service Center on the Ohio River Blvd in Edgeworth.

A celebration of Bob's life was held at the Sewickley Country Inn on Aug. 11.

Memorials may be made to the Sewickley Tree Fund or the Sewickley Valley Historical Society.

Helen Kolesar Anskaites

St. Mary's member

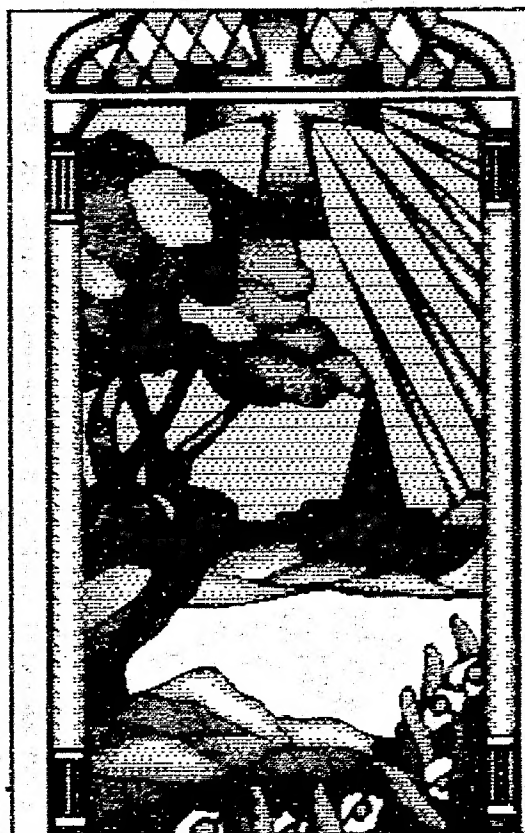
Helen (Kolesar) Anskaites, 94, of Franklin Park Borough, died Aug. 10, 2005.

She was the beloved wife of the late William Anskaites.

She is survived by nieces and nephews: Alice Frank, Shirley Herman, Loretta Kletzi and Beverly McKee; six great nephews; one great niece; and beloved friend, John Bidimir.

She was preceded in death by brothers and sisters: Mary Amon, Jean Randolph, Andrew Kolesar and Joseph Kolesar.

Mrs. Anskaites was a long-



Phyllis Brancato Meanor

Moon Township resident

Phyllis (Brancato) Meanor, 72, of Moon Township died on Aug. 9, 2005.

She was the beloved wife of the late Stewart Meanor.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Adeline (Mauro) Brancato, and her sister, Adeline Meanor.

She is the sister of Georginia Sharp of Sewickley, Samuel (Judy) Brancato of Moon Township, and Virginia Walker of Sewickley and brother-in-law Norman Meanor of Sewickley.

She also is survived by nieces and nephews: Diane (Albert) Veschio of Sewickley; Roy Sharp of Sewickley; Richard (Kathy) Sharo of Florida; Jack (Camille) Sharp of Florida; Susan Brancato of Pittsburgh; Frank (Christina) Brancato of Moon Township; Marlett (Jeff) Schawalt of Crescent Township; Natalie (Chris) Cramer of Moon Township; William Kelley of Sewickley; Sharon (Daniel) Letson of Warren, Ohio, and Norman (Debby) Meanor of Sewickley.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held today (Wednesday) at 10 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church, Sewickley.

She was born in Brownsville, Pa., on Oct. 20, 1913, and was preceded in death by her beloved husband, John Lerza, in 1980.

Mrs. Lerza was an accomplished beautician with the expanded role of teacher at the Pittsburgh Beauty Academy.

Many will remember Lerza's Restaurant, which was located on Beaver and Green streets in Sewickley, which she and her husband owned and operated for 24 years.

She is survived by her loving daughter, Linda Lerza of Sewickley; two grandsons, John P. DeRosa and his wife Kathleen, of Imperial, and Anthony DeRosa and his wife Julie, of Washington; six great grandchildren: Dominick, Nickolas, Valerie, Gabriel, Giovanna and Isabelle; her sister, Christine Sankovic of Shaler Township; and a sister-in-law, Margaret Voytasek, of Rices Landing.

In addition to her parents and husband, Mrs. Lerza was preceded in death by three sisters and two brothers: Pauline Tischler, Jean Dudek, Veronica "Billie" Dzelaliala, Lou and John Voytasek.

Copeland's in Sewickley made the arrangements.

time member of St. Mary's Church, Glenfield, and active member of St. Mary's Women's Guild.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Interment followed in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Hopewell.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary's Church, Glenfield Road, Sewickley, PA 15143.

Arrangements were made by the Richard D. Cole Funeral Home, Inc., Sewickley.

A Mass of Christian Burial

Thought for the Week

Here is a thought to think upon. How can we compare living to driving a car?

When we are behind the wheel of a car we must keep our eyes on the road ahead and now and then we glance at our rearview mirror to see what is coming from behind... We must be both forward-looking and backward-looking...

Life, too, is both forward-looking and backward-looking. Life is a winding road through the years that are allotted to us. It passes through pleasant valleys and over steep hills. And, yes, it threads its way through wastelands, too. No one can see far enough ahead along the road to know which he will be required to travel on any given day. But each has the strength within himself for the hills and the courage for the wastelands. Only those who childishly insist that all the roads must be through pleasant valleys fail. And they fail because they never learn to use the inner strength God gave them for the hills, not to call upon the inner courage He gave them for the wastelands...

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SPORTS



Peanut Heaven

By Jon Paul Creese

Father, daughter spar for affection

Mike and Christine Jehle have a portrait-perfect father-daughter relationship. They are loving and supportive of one another, and it is charmingly evident that each returns the brimming affection of the other.

But it's hard to tell when the gloves are on.

"I thought I broke her nose once," Mike says of a recent spar. "She almost cracked my one rib."

"I couldn't walk for four days," he adds of a crippling ankle injury he once suffered. "We beat up on each other pretty regularly."

"One of us usually winds up limping," he points out.

And Kim Jehle, wife and mother, is on board.

"I'm so proud of them both," she says. "It's wonderful they can do something together."

Well, you've probably determined by now that, either the Jehles are an alarmingly dysfunctional family or Mike and Christine are black belts in karate. And, if you are thinking "black belts," you're absolutely right.

All the cracks and bruises are like hugs and kisses to these two masters of this martial art, and they embrace the memories with heart-felt nostalgia.

Mike, a U.S. certified Kumite (fighting) referee, earned a black belt in May of this year and was inspired to learn the Japanese art of fighting from his young daughter, who has been training since she was six years old and earned a black belt almost four years ago.

"It's not on purpose," Mike says of the occasional physical contact (of which he reportedly is usually on the hurting end). "But quite a bit occurs by happenstance."

The two train together regularly and even have a large sparring area, complete with padded mats, in their

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YOUTH BASEBALL



THE QUAKER Valley 9-year-old tournament team competed in four baseball tournaments this summer. The Quakers took first place in the Raccoon Boys Club 10-and-under tournament and Cranberry nine-and-under tournament, second place in the Robinson nine-and-under tournament and third place in the Economy nine-and-under tournament. The display trophies can be seen in the window of Fondi's in Sewickley, along with photographs.

Photo contributed

SPOTLIGHT

Arborist puts muscle where money is

Sewickley native raises more than \$16,000 to benefit tree research and education

By Jon Paul Creese

Sports editor

In an effort to "support an organization that makes a real difference in our environment," local arborist Jim Edson set out from Jackson, Miss., on a 450-mile bicycle ride ending in Nashville, Tenn.

But his work with trees started many years ago.

After graduating from Sewickley Academy in 1970, Edson earned a bachelor's degree in landscape and design from Colorado State University. Then, after a few years enjoying "ski bum" sta-

tus, he moved back to Sewickley and went to work for his father at Edson Tree Service.

In 2003, he sold the family business to Bartlett Tree Expert, where he now works as an arborist representative.

As someone who has been around the business for a while, Edson has plenty of reasons for peddling along the Natchez Trace Parkway during the 2005 Tour des Trees. Mainly, the ride benefits something close to home: the Tree Research and Education Endowment Fund.

"Whether it's research to better manage pests and other plant threats, or looking for ways trees can help reduce air pollution, I see the impact and value of TREE Fund's work everywhere — including here in the greater Pittsburgh area," Edson says.

Edson says the science of horticulture has changed drastically since the 1970s and that the TREE Fund is responsible for bringing much of the advances to local companies and laymen.

"The research they have sponsored was brought to the general tree care industry to improve practices in the day-to-day work we do," he explains, noting the organization provides valuable technology and resources to this day.

Edson became inspired to ride in the fund-raiser after accompanying his brother, Kris, an arborist for Penn State University, on the final day of last year's ride, which ended in Pittsburgh.

"That really got me," he says. "I was excited about it. I was committed to

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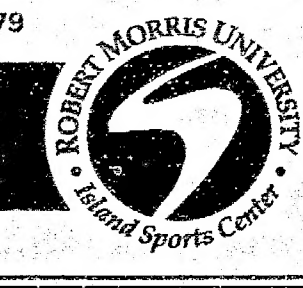


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SPOTLIGHT



Jim Edson

Sewickley rider supports trees

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doing it."

He did it.

And not only that, Edson raised more than \$16,000 for the fund-raiser, the second highest amount raised by a single individual this year.

A fellow Bartlett employee from the company's Marshall, Va., office, Tom Armstrong, raised about \$17,000.

"Sewickley is a wonderful and supportive town."

— Jim Edson

"Sewickley is a wonderful and supportive town," Edson says of the community's involvement in his fund-raising endeavor.

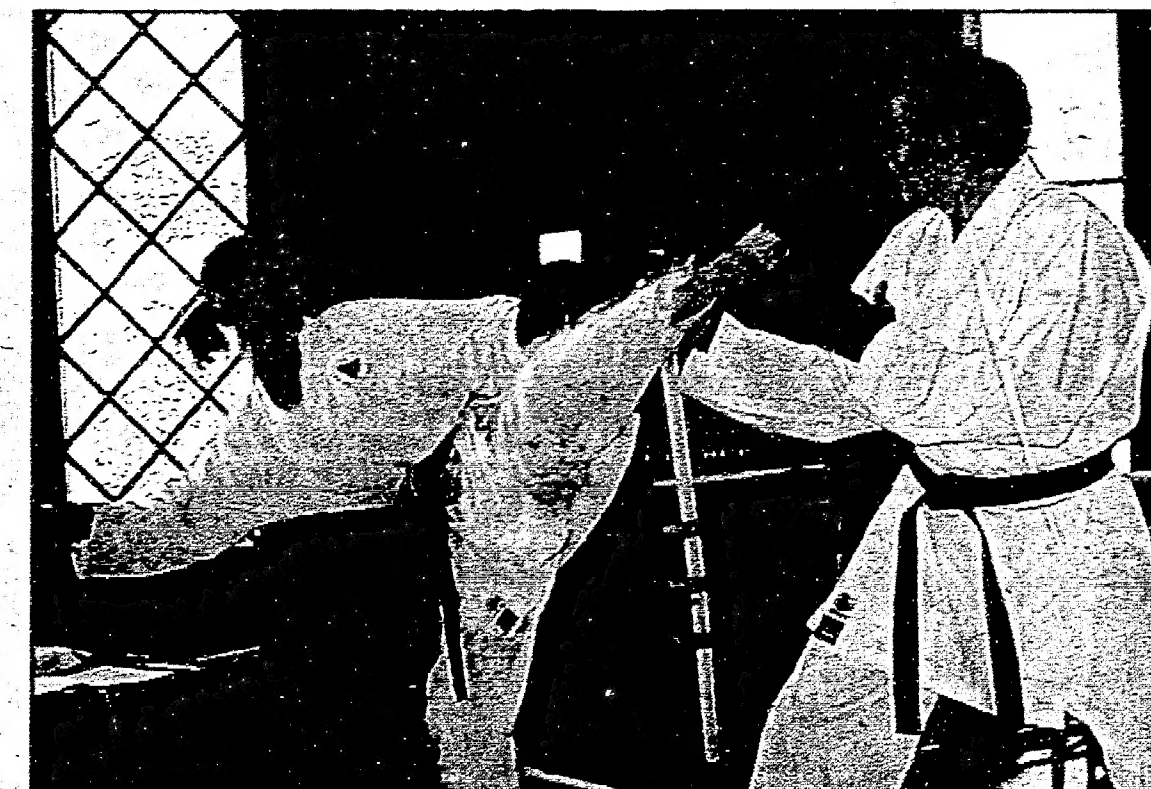
And Edson shares his passion for healthy trees with the community.

Volunteering as Sewickley's arborist, he oversees plantings, provides technical information to the tree commission and identifies potentially hazardous conditions.

Edson says Sewickley has a very healthy horticultural environment, and believes the best way to keep it that way is for everyone to be involved.

"I would love to see residents adopt a tree," he says, explaining the importance of keeping them watered and mulched.

PEANUT HEAVEN



CHRISTINE JEHL and her father during a practice spar at their Edgeworth home. Christine qualified for the 2005 Pan American Championships.

Photo by Jon Paul Creese

Edgeworth teen qualifies for Pan Am Kumite competition

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Edgeworth house.

Kim doesn't mind the unsightly addition of a training room in the family's otherwise conventional abode.

"It's fine," she says, explaining that it gives Christine a convenient place to practice for the upcoming Junior Pan American Championships in Uruguay, which she qualified for recently. "It gives her a little more flexibility."

Christine, a Shotokan Karate Club of Pennsylvania student who decided to start taking karate lessons after watching "Kimberly, the Pink Power Ranger" in action, makes no bones (broken or otherwise) about it; she intends to become the world champion someday.

Of course, someday, for a teenager, is a long way off, and Christine said she will settle for a good showing during her debut performance with the USA Junior National Karate Team.

"I can't say what I will do scorewise," says the Quaker Valley sophomore.

"I will do the best I can and hopefully come home, if not with a medal, with good memories and something to work on."

Christine says she is particularly excited about competing this year, since she qualified for



Christine and Mike Jehle

a spot on the U.S. team last year but could not compete at the 2004 Junior Pan Am Championships in Chile due to a stress injury that kept her sidelined for months.

But some good came from her experience.

"The community has been great," she says of several friends who helped her rebound from her injury. "It means a lot to me. I feel that people care."

"It makes me feel like I have the potential to do something great," she adds.

I'd wager that if you asked her friends, they would say she already has done something great.

Mike and Kim plan to travel to Uruguay to cheer Christine along.

But for now, duel is the rule at the Jehle residence.

Academy hosts golf outing

The Sewickley Academy Hockey Association will be holding its annual Golf Outing at Connoquenessing Country Club (Elwood City, PA) on Wednesday, August 31.

There will be a shot-gun start at 10 a.m.

This year's outing will be played using a shamble format.

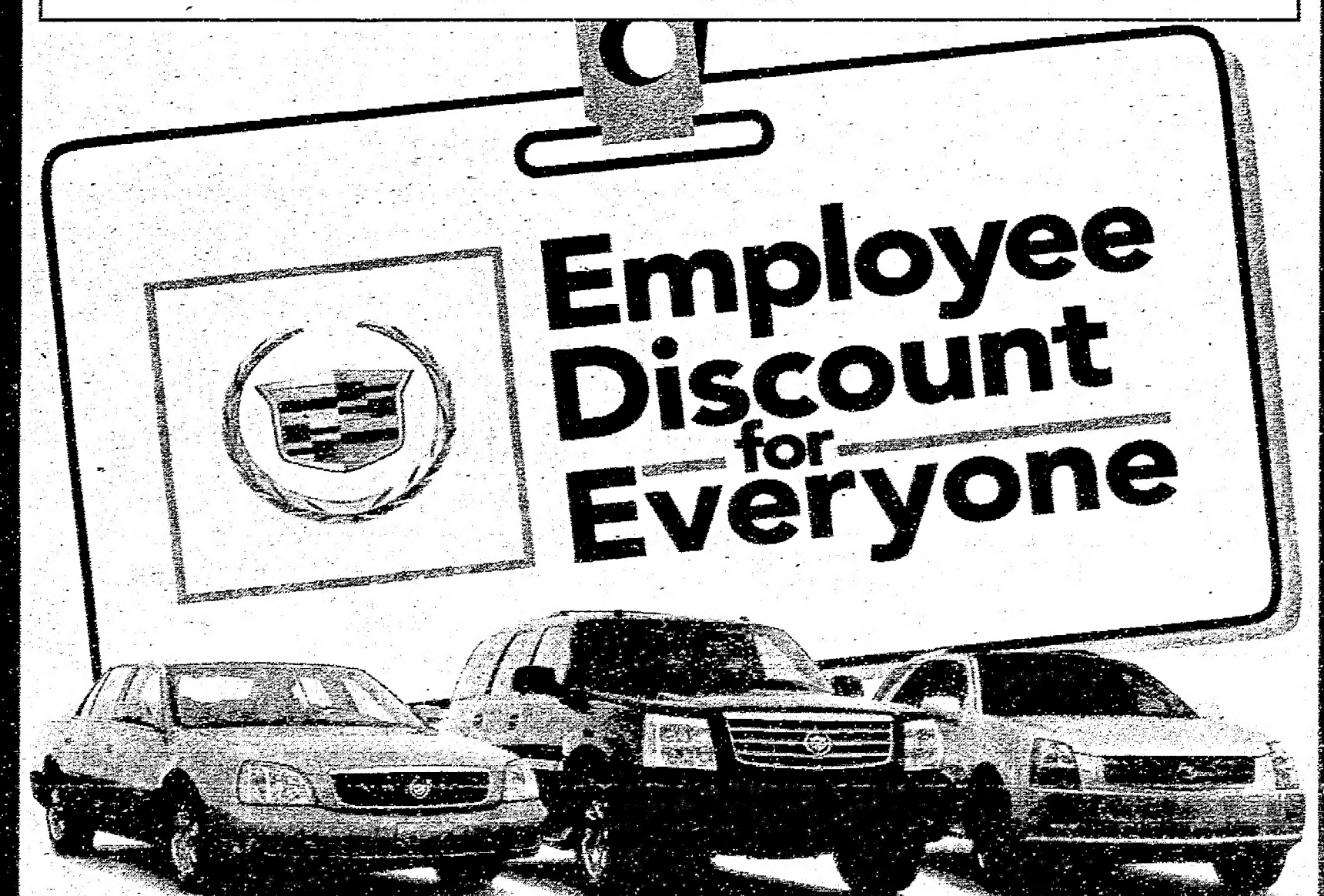
The event includes prizes,

food and drink and a chance to support a group of scholar athletes who will be looking to win a PIHL title next year.

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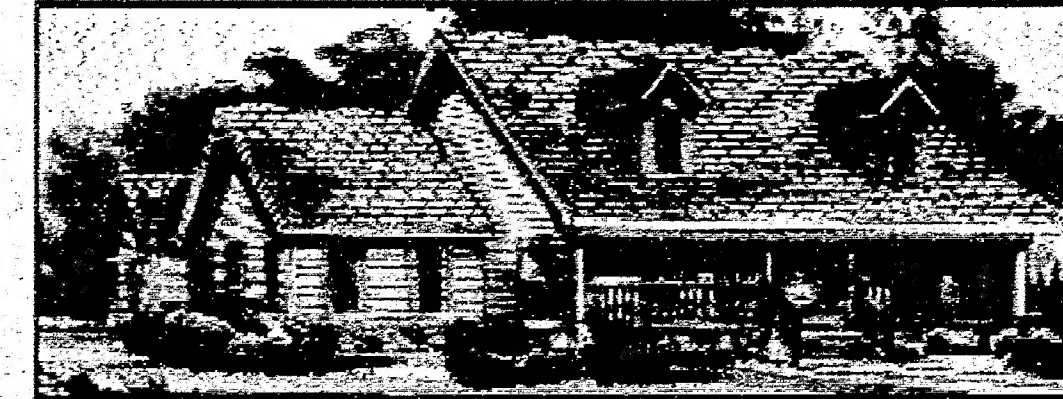
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The presentation will begin at 10 a.m.

Attendees will have the opportunity to tour the clubhouse and various accommodations, ask questions of the marketing staff and enjoy refreshments.

For directions to Masonic Village, 1000 Masonic Drive, or to schedule a personal appointment, call 412-741-1400, Ext. 3530.

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HOME OF THE WEEK



THIS HOME at 311 Sewickley Ridge Drive offers maintenance-free living in a convenient location to Sewickley Village. The master bedroom of this four bedroom, two and one-half bathroom home is located on the main level. The kitchen features maple cabinets, a center island with gas cooktop, and Corian countertops. Top-of-the-line stainless steel add an industrial feel to the space. Hardwood floors engage the living area with an abundance of recessed lights throughout the lower level features a studio (easily convertible to a bedroom) and an exercise room. For more information, contact Linda Taylor at 412-741-2200, Ext. 219, or ltaylor@howardhanna.com.

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Setting The "Stage!"



the apple of the buyer's eye. "Staging" is not as silly as you might think, considering that you want your home to sell as quickly as possible for the highest price possible. A few hundred dollars spent on the services of these professionals could payoff tenfold or more.

Even the founder of the International Association of Home Decorating Professionals agrees, however, that you don't have to spend a lot of money - you just have to be creative. Many recommendations that "stagers" make can be achieved for a very little cost. Here are just a few ideas to help stage your home for a quick full-price sale:

Open up space by storing items that are crowding your rooms (hide family photos to allow buyers to imagine their family in the home!) Painting dingy rooms and peeling exteriors is always good advice (but stick to neutral colors!). Repair leaky faucets and loose cabinet doors. Even little things like new doorknobs, switch plates, and a new mailbox can make a big impression, so take a look around and take your place "on stage!"

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MARKET WATCH

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Barbara Schroeder sold property at 1002 Sewickley Heights Drive to Allen and A Kristin Smith Dufala for \$178,000.

Bell Acres

Matthew Diandreth sold property at 887 Campmeeting Road to Frances Amatuoci for \$252,000.

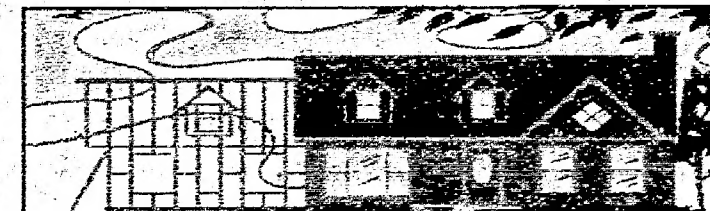
RL Rossero Construction LLC sold property

at 130 Summerlawn Drive to John and Luann Vesho for \$400,900.

Richard Mende sold property at 175 Summerlawn Drive to Stephen and Mary Jo Crane for \$495,000.

Edgeworth

Raymond Cyr III sold property at 317 Highland Lane to David and Terese Owens for \$185,000.



Leet

Scott Easter sold property at 244 High St. to Gregory Robertson for \$124,000.

David Truskowski sold property at 181 Oak St. to Jaclyn Dallas for \$41,500.

Leetsdale

First National Bank Pennsylvania sold property at 352 Beaver St. to Scott Easter for \$19,000.

Sewickley

Dominic Ussio sold property at 233 Bank St. to Nancy and John Donaghy for \$124,630. Jacquelyn Murgie sold property at 306 Cherry Way to Mary Bianchi for \$122,000.

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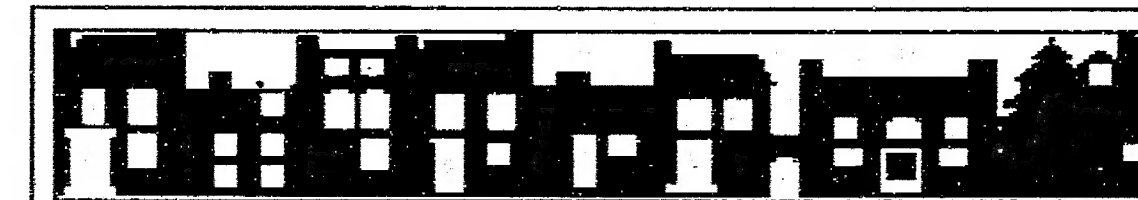
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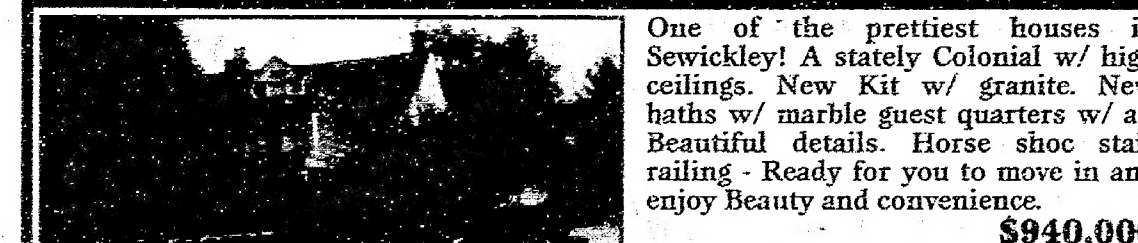
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ON THE WEB

A walk through the late summer garden

As summer begins to wind down toward fall, the spring-planted garden changes character.

Once bright green and limber, the foliage darkens and dries, fairly leaps with insects and makes a rasping, rattly sound as you wander through.

Your plants are entering the seed making phase and require a little special attention to prolong their productivity.

First, if the soil is dry an inch down, water it well. Late corn tomatoes, lima beans and cabbage are still ripening even if their plants' leaves are turning brown on the edges.

Fall viruses and fungi are eager to spread, so don't spray foliage. Instead, water the roots

with a soaker hose.

And, even if you're getting a little bored with the garden after most of the harvest is in, hoe down fall weeds before they go to seed—especially those between the rows—lest they sap the food and water needed by late crops.

Let the weed growth lie where it falls; it'll act as a moisture-retaining mulch, not to mention a hideaway for bug-consuming garden toads.

You may notice a few tomato plants, already loaded with ripening fruit, beginning to put out fresh end growth and suckers; some will flower and set clusters of new fruit berries.

Snap off all the lush, new looking growth as it sprouts so

the plants will put energy into the maturing fruit already on the vines.

Then poke the stem ends of several of the most vigorous sprouts into a rooting medium and set them in moist sand to take root (small-fruited varieties do best).

Periodically inspect undersides of leaves and remove any little white cocoons to prevent an infestation of whitefly.

Once rooted, transplant the sprouts into large pots filled with a rich growing medium.

Placed under lights or in a sunny window, the plants will vine out long with small leaves in winter's reduced light.

If you pollinate flowers, one to the next, with a little brush, you may have fresh tomatoes to start the New Year.

Or at the very least, if you remove new growing tips early, propagate them just as you did the parent sprout, then set out the months-old plants next May or June, you'll have the earliest tomatoes in the county next season—guaranteed.

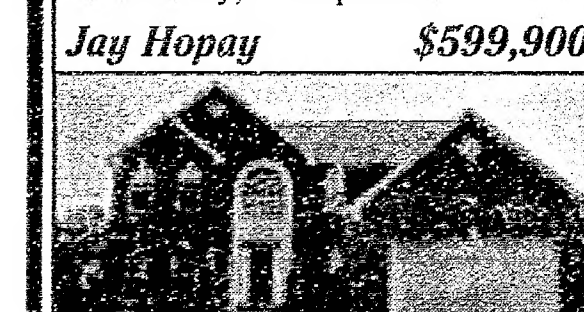
Some pole beans will keep producing new end growth and flowers until the first frost. Pinch off this new growth in late August to ensure that plants' energies go to developing beans that are already set. Also, be sure to pick pods before they begin to swell with developing beans.

Once a vine has made a few seeds, it retires.

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Isabelle design brings back turn-of-century style

If you think the Isabelle looks like a home from another era, you're right.

Its basic shape is that of the Gabled Ell, an L-shaped house style commonly built in small towns from 1880-1910.

Intriguing window treatments accent the nostalgic appearance, as does gingerbread trim on the steeply pitched gables.

Decorative trim, of course, is always an optional feature, and can be omitted for those who prefer a simpler look.

Designed as a vacation retreat, this small plan is also fully equipped for use as a full-time residence for one or two people.

Its open floor plan results in a surprising sense of spaciousness for a home that measures in at just over 900 square feet.

Entering, you step into a living room with a lofty two-story ceiling.

A semi-circular hearth spotlights the fireplace nestled into an alcove created by the stairway behind it.

Light washes in through three windows: a tall multi-paned window capped by a half-round, a set of panes in the door, and a rectangle of diamond-shaped panes set in a tiny gable over the door.

Plants will thrive on the high shelf directly below this window.

Standing at the kitchen sink, you face into the living room. Walls flanking the sink buffer kitchen sounds and keep the food clutter out of sight.

A small powder room is nearby, next to a pass-through utility room with an exterior

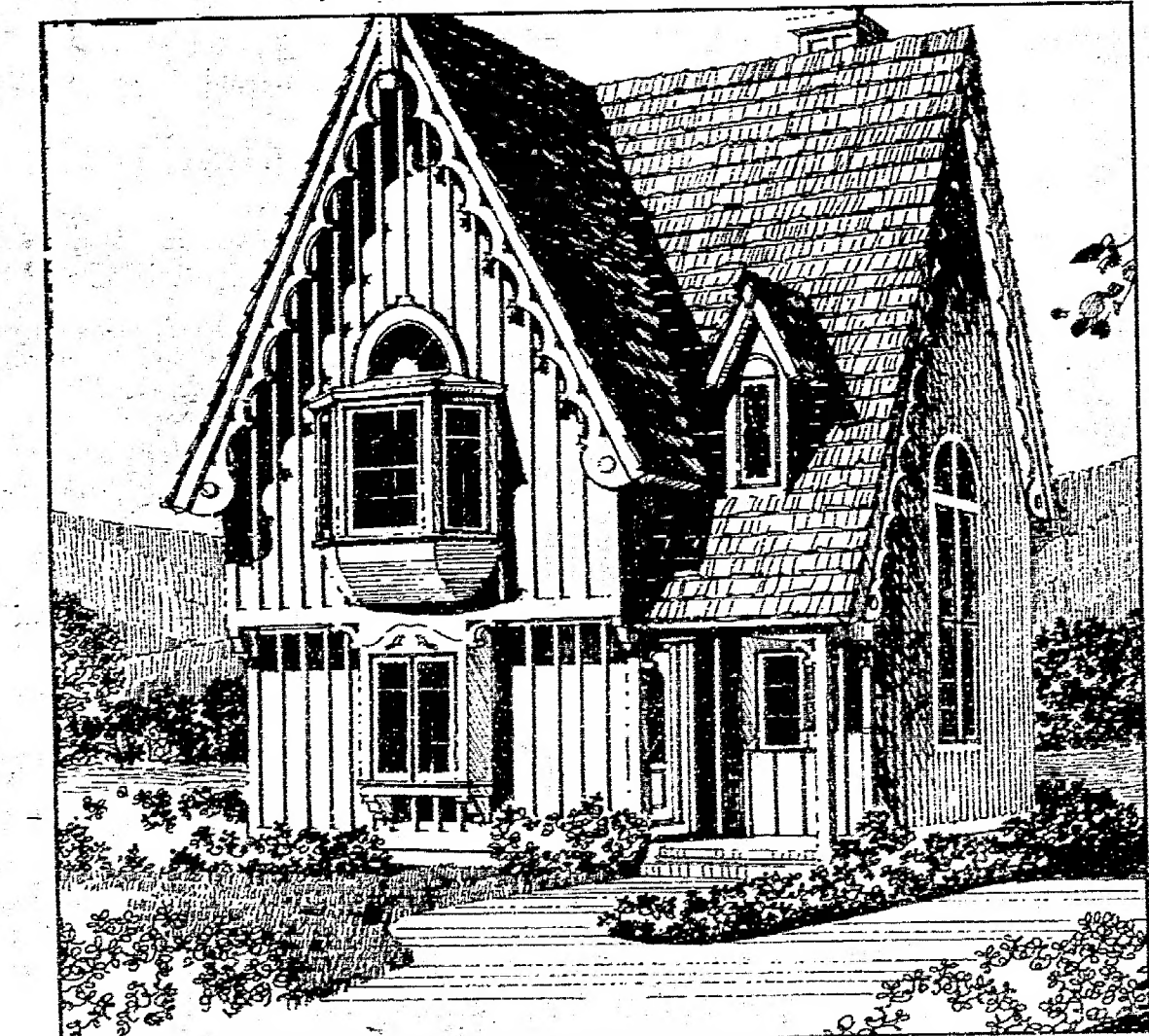
door. Cozy window seats expand both the Isabelle's dining room and the upper level master bedroom.

Other features in this fully enclosed bedroom include a walk-in closet and direct access to a full bathroom that can be entered from the sleeping loft as well.

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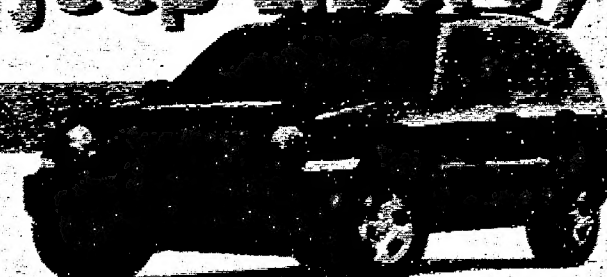
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